

Statement of Richard Piper Concerning FEC MUR 6796

The complaint filed in MUR 6796 charging illegal coordination involving the Largo/Mid-Pinellas Democratic Club, the House Majority PAC and the Sink Campaign on the advertisement in which Elizabeth and Rodney Snedeker appeared is without merit. It contains statements that are factually inaccurate, which I shall correct below:

- 1) Elizabeth Snedeker is not the Treasurer of the Largo/Mid-Pinellas Democratic Club and has not held that post since February 2013, a year before the incident in question. Elizabeth Snedeker and Rodney Snedeker, as individuals, agreed with representatives of a private company to make the advertisement in question.
- 2) The "goals and needs" that the four field organizers of the Sink campaign mentioned at the club meeting that was referenced had nothing to do with campaign messages or advertising. They were goals and needs for phone callers and canvassers. The organizers were simply seeking to get club members to undertake these basic tasks and passed around sheets asking people to volunteer.

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